

REMARKS

Status of the Specification

The Specification has been amended to include a cross-reference paragraph which details the priority history of this application. No new matter has been added.

Acknowledgement of Priority

Applicants request that the Examiner acknowledge the claim to priority based on International application No. PCT/EP2003/02629 which has an International filing date of March 10, 2003, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/363,125 filed on March 11, 2002.

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 referencing docket no. 0147-0262PUS1.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Leonard R. Svensson Reg. No. 30,330 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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